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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION (RCE) TRANSMITTAL
(37 C.F.R. § 1.114)**

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CERTIFICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.10

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DATED: December 3, 2003

1. This is a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 of the above-identified application.
2. Submission required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.114
 - a. ☐ Previously submitted
 - i. ☐ Consider the amendment(s)/reply under 37 C.F.R. § 1.116 previously filed on _____
 - ii. ☐ Consider the arguments in the Appeal brief or Reply Brief previously filed on _____
 - iii. ☐ Other _____

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- b. ☒ Enclosed
- i. ☐ Amendment/Reply
- ii. ☐ Affidavit(s)/Declaration(s)
- iii. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)
- iv. ☒ Other Preliminary Amendment

3. Miscellaneous

- a. ☐ Suspension of action on the above-identified application is requested under 37 C.F.R. § 1.103(c) for a period of _____ months
- b. ☐ Other _____

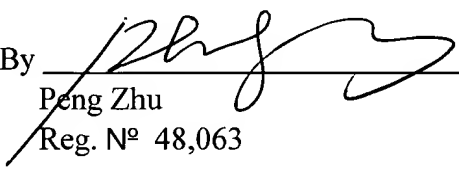
4. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the filing fees of **\$770.00** to Deposit Account N° 50-0439. Please charge any underpayments related to this filing or credit any excess to Deposit Account N° 50-0439. A copy of this *RCE* is enclosed for accounting purposes only.

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